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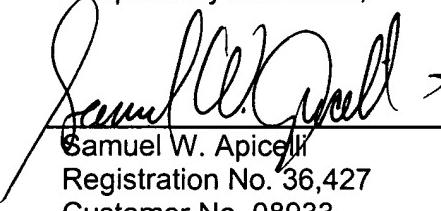
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Sir:

Pursuant to the Duty of Disclosure set forth in 37 CFR 1.56, the materials listed on the enclosed form PTO-1449 are hereby brought to the attention of the Examiner. A copy of each is enclosed.

This Information Disclosure Statement is submitted prior to the mailing date of the first Office Action on the merits received by Applicant in the above-identified application.

With regard to European Patent Application No. 83107396.0 claiming priority from German Application 3235452, this reference includes an English language abstract on the rear face of the last page.

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With regard to German Patent 3334540 A1, this reference includes an English language abstract on the rear face of the last page.

The claimed invention is patentable over the enclosed references. No representations are made regarding the references other than those set forth above.

The Examiner is requested to acknowledge consideration of the information provided in this paper in accordance with prescribed procedures.

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**U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS**

*EXAMINER INITIAL	DOCUMENT NUMBER	DATE	NAME	CLASS	SUBCLASS	FILING DATE IF APPROPRIATE
	4,804,401	Feb. 1989	Wahlberg, deceased et al.			
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**FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS**

	DOCUMENT NUMBER	DATE	COUNTRY	CLASS	SUBCLASS	TRANSLATION	YES	NO
	EP 0360447	1989	Europe				<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	520 873	1980	Australia				<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	EP 83107396.0	1983	Europe				<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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**OTHER (Including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent Pages, Etc.)**

	International Application No. PCT/AU03/00930. International Search Report dated August 27, 2003.

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